



Waddell News



Michael Moynihan, Principal

March 2015

Principal's Message

ENOUGH OF THESE FREEZING COLD TEMPERATURES AND ALL OF THIS SNOW!!!! Even though I was born and raised in Connecticut, I am not enjoying this winter. I can't wait for the warmer weather. Please send your children to school prepared to go outside. As long as the temperature is over 20 degrees (including the wind chill) we will be having outdoor recess. We ask that you remind your children to leave the snow on the ground and to stay off of the snow piles.

March is standardized testing month in CT. Our Grade 5 students will be taking the Science CMT (Date to be determined). The Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) is in its second year of use for all of the states that are participating in the Common Core. The SBAC testing window for Manchester Public Schools is between March 17th – May 15th for students in Grades 3 – 5.

Parent/Teacher conferences are March 17th, 18th and 19th and are half days. I am confident that we will get 100% of the parents to participate. Clearly, our community knows how critical attending these conferences are in order for their children to be successful in school. Just like last year, we will be asking parents to take a survey on a computer. This year's survey cannot be done on paper like last year. Our PTA will generously be donating a movie pass to Waddell's movie night for each family that takes the survey. Last year we had 90% of our parents participate.

Our pick up and drop off has changed. If you have questions, concerns or suggestions, please email the committee at waddellparkingcommittee@gmail.com. We are asking that all parents park their cars in a safe manner and to not stop their cars in the middle of the street to let students exit their cars. We appreciate your cooperation with this.

March Date Book

March 5	Gr K – Lutz museum visits
March 6	Gr 3 – Rotary Club visits & delivers dictionaries Marking period ends PTA – Adult Yoga Night ~ 6:30 – 8:00
March 8	Daylight Savings Time
March 9-13	Gr 3 – Hartford Stage visits
March 10	Dental Bus visits
March 11	PTA Meeting – 3:50 – Library (<i>was reschedule due to weather</i>)
March 13	School Store
March 17	Parent - Teacher Conference ~ Lunch is Served ~ dismissal at 1:17 Happy St. Patrick's Day
March 18	Parent - Teacher Conference ~ Lunch is Served ~ dismissal at 1:17
March 19	Parent - Teacher Conference ~ Lunch is Served ~ dismissal at 1:17
March 20	First Day of Spring PTA - Lots of Socks Day ~ World Down Syndrome Day PTA – Family Movie Night
March 25	½ day of school ~ Dismissal at 1:17 pm ~ lunch served BOE Awards Night – 6:00 pm ~ MHS
March 26	Dental Bus visits
March 27	Dental Bus visits Fabulous Friday Event

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

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Mrs. Carol Walker
Nurse

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Mrs. Melissa Lawton
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Cafeteria
860-647-3396

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Attendance and
Weather Hot Line
860-647-3399

Happy
St. Patrick's Day

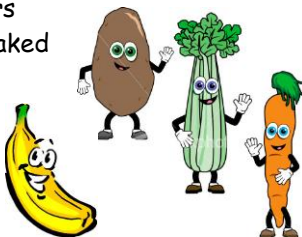




Nurse's Corner **National Nutrition Month**

Here are some simple and cost-saving nutrition improving ideas

- Replace soda and sugar sweetened drinks with milk, water or fruit juice
- Choose vegetables, fruits and grain snacks such as granola or wheat crackers instead of cookies and baked goodies.
- Low-fat yogurt and cheese offer an excellent source of calcium.



Library News



Spring Book Fair
April 6th - April 9th

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Attention Grade 4 & 5
SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW!

Nutmeg Book Trivia

Tuesday, March 31st

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Register with Ms Schiavetti by March 17th

PTA Updates

Family Movie Night

Friday - March 20th - 6:30 pm
Watch for details



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Next PTA Meetings

March 11th ~ 3:50 pm ~ Library

(had to be Rescheduled due to Weather)

April 7th ~ 6:30 pm ~ Library

All are invited to attend - Babysitting provided!

Pasta Dinner & Variety Show!



May 1st ~ 5:30 pm

Volunteers Needed



Parent - Teacher Conferences

An opportunity to discuss the progress of your student and share information

Tuesday March 17th

Wednesday March 18th

Thursday March 19th



LUNCH IS SERVED

All students ~ dismiss at 1:17 pm

Please pick your children up promptly at dismissal time.

The office cannot provide after school childcare!

Please make every effort to keep your scheduled appointment time with your child's teacher.



Inclement Weather

Please listen carefully to the TV or Radio for announcements and updates!

Late Openings ~ 90 Minutes

School begins at 10:35 am for All Students

NO BREAKFAST SERVED!

DO NOT DROP your child off unsupervised.

Early Closing ~ 1:17 pm



Be sure your child knows exactly what to do and where to go on these days!

*Log on to the internet ~ go to your favorite News Station
Register your cell phone or e-mail address and receive
FREE SCHOOL CLOSING UPDATES!*

PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE SCHOOL.

At times, no one will be available to answer the phone.

Phys Ed Updates

Students are doing a Great Job in PE Classes

Please **REMEMBER** to check the calendar for your **GYM DAY** and remember to **WEAR your SNEAKERS**

Students wearing boots to school should **BRING SNEAKERS** to change into for PE Class.

All students should wear appropriate clothes for gym class



Down Syndrome Awareness Day



Lots of Socks

March 20th

Watch for more details



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Autism Awareness Day



Day
April 2nd

PTA Fundraiser



Watch for
Delivery
Date
Notice



Literacy & Math Night



Grades K – 5

April 2nd

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Activities in Gym

Parents and students are welcome to come and enjoy a fun fill of activities.



All activities are free.

The Bus Circle

Do Not Enter

For Buses / Mini-Vans &
Daycare Vans ONLY

Grade 3 / 4 & 5

Park on Irving or Broad St

Park on the Right Side (preferred)
Walk your child to their assigned door

REMINDER



Grade 1 & 2

Windemere Street is One Way

8:45 am – 9:15 am / 3:00 pm – 3:45 pm

Park on the Right Side (preferred)
Walk your child to their assigned door

Grade K

Park in the lower parking lot or Broad St
Walk your child to their assigned door

Main Parking Lot — Red Parking Passes Only or Appointments in the building

For Dropping off or Picking up

Remember .. NEVER drop your child off in the middle of the street

Shop for Education

Register at Shop Rite

Get a form at the Customer Service Desk
OR let the Office know your card #
to be registered

Our school earns points every
time you shop.

We receive great educational supplies!



**Please join
and update
every year!**

Box Tops

Send in your box tops
through May

Stop & Shop

A+ School Rewards
Program



Register On-Line
or at the School

You can register
up to 3 Schools

Our school earns points every
time you shop!
Register your courtesy card!

Family Resource Center

Raising a Reader

The LOVE for reading begins in the home. Here are some tips for you to instill the love of books in your children:

- Visit the Library
- Let your child see you read
- Begin reading to children as early as 6 months
- Play rhyming games and sing silly songs
- Read your child's favorite book over and over
- Ask your child what they think is happening in the story
- And read with your child every day

Town Wide Spring Concert

Orchestra

April 7th ~ 7:00 pm – MHS

Band

April 8th ~ 7:00 pm – MHS

Chorus

April 9th ~ 7:00 pm – MHS



School Climate Parent Surve



We need **EVERY PARENT** to complete this **SURVEY**

Computers will be available during
Parent / Teacher Conferences

outside the Main Office and help will be available if needed!



FREE Movie Night Pass

If completed during conferences

Courtesy of PTA

Project Playground

Yoga Night for Adults

March 6th

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm \$10.00 per
person

FREE Childcare for advance ticket
purchases

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'Color Run'

(last Project Playground Fundraiser)

Saturday – April 25th

PBS Highlights

We want to remind students they need
to earn their Fun Fridays
so they can participate in the
next Fabulous Friday

Remember .. the compliment
challenge Each Day!



Rose says

Always respect Self – Always respect Others –
Always respect Your School

Title IX Notice is a federal law which states: "No person in the United States shall on the basis of sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal assistance."

Manchester's Title IX coordinator is: Ms. Terri Smith

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Day Light Savings

Turn the clocks ahead

March 8th